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MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Practice Application No. 24 169 , a one-unit sale comprised of 19 net acres of even-aged regeneration harvest consisting of 1,246 MBF of merchantable timber with 1,515 feet of optional road construction, 3,190 feet of optional pre-haul road maintenance and 1,515 feet of deactivation of the optional road construction, if built.

Description of mitigation: The following Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) procedures apply:

Northern Spotted Owls-This proposal is not in designated Nesting, Roosting, Foraging Habitat or Dispersal Management Areas for the Northern Spotted Owl and there are no known status 1, 2 or 3 northern spotted owl circles in this area, PR 14-004-120, Marbled Murrelet-This proposal is within the North Planning Unit, which has a marbled murrelet reclassified habitat model. This proposal is not within any reclassified marbled murrelet habitat polygons. The proposal consists of second growth timber that does not have habitat characteristics for the marbled murrelet, PR 14-004-320,

Riparian and Wetland Management Zones (RMZs and WMZs) - All streams adjacent to the sale meet or exceed HCP required buffers. Harvest activities will not take place within the RMZ buffers. There is a Type 2 stream/Type A wetland complex (Stossel Creek) protected with a 200-foot RMZ/WMZ. There is one Type 4 stream south of the proposal protected with a 100-foot buffer. A Type 5 stream flows through the southern portion of the proposal within the leave tree area. No wind buffers were applied to RMZs or WMZs. PR 14-004-150 & PR 14-004-10,

Slope Stability- Sale boundaries were located away from steep slopes along portions of the northwest boundary of the unit. There were no areas found within the harvest area that were potentially unstable. PR 14-004-050,

Retention Trees- Leave tree clumps (totaling 4 acres) were retained, which averages approximately 10 trees per acre. Leave tree clumps were marked in clumps ranging in size from ¼ acre to 3 acres in size and contain the most wind-firm, dominant conifers. These groups were also located to protect unique features or sensitive areas such as a cliff and Type 5 stream. PR 14-004-210,

Roads – Road construction will not be permitted from November 1 to May 31, unless authorized in writing by the Contract Administrator, to prevent resource damage. Rock for this proposal may be obtained from existing stockpiles in state-owned Drunken Charlie pit. The pit may be expanded 0.2 acres under this proposal if needed.

For specifics on all mitigation measures consult the SEPA document for this proposal.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources



Location of proposal, including street address, if any: The proposal consists of one unit located in the SW 1/4 and SE 1/4 of Section 12 in Township 26 North, Range 7 East, W.M. The haul route is in Sections 12 and 13 of Township 26 North, Range 7 East, W.M. before reaching the Stossel Creek county road, within the Marckworth State Forest, approximately 16 miles by road northeast of Duvall in King County. See the attached Forest Practices Application.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from Accest 32 200 Comments must be submitted by 300tember 5.2006

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